

Walker, Ardyth (COE)

From: Walker, Ardyth (COE)
Sent: Thursday, February 10, 2005 11:34 AM
To: Frow, Sylvia G. (FIN)
Subject: RE: Tsunami relief basket raffle

INQ 0578

The Department may donate the food coupons to the homeless or give the coupons to individual employees. The coupons are a gift under the Conflict of Interest ordinance. However, the Code does not prohibit employees from accepting gifts unless they are in exchange for an official duty. Finally, the coupons do not have to be reported because the value is less than one hundred dollars per person. Please contact me if you have any additional questions.

-----Original Message-----

From: Frow, Sylvia G. (FIN)
Sent: Wednesday, February 09, 2005 11:51 AM
To: Walker, Ardyth (COE)
Subject: FW: Tsunami relief basket raffle

Good morning,

Pursuant to my Deputy Director's email below - I need to get direction from your office as to what my options are. A vendor (est. with the DMV) visited our Auto Tag Office and conducted a training session for owners of Towing Companies. The vendor purchased food coupons from the 111 Bldg. Food Court for the Towing Co. owners. All but 90 of the coupons were used. Ea coupon is worth \$7.00 individually and are scheduled to expire by Feb. 24th.

The vendor does not live in Dade and does not have any use for the coupons. It is my understanding the coupons are non-refundable.

Our preference would be to donate the coupons to the homeless.

Please advise.

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-----Original Message-----

From: Cespedes, Graciela (FIN)
Sent: Tuesday, February 08, 2005 5:20 PM
To: Frow, Sylvia G. (FIN)
Cc: Casamayor, Fernando (FIN)
Subject: RE: Tsunami relief basket raffle

Pls send an email to Ardyth Walker, counsel to the Commission of Ethics, explaining where the gift certificates came from, who donated them, why, etc. and ask her if we can distribute them to our staff, use them as gift or raffle prizes, to recognize employees of the quarter/year, or any other idea you can think of.

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-----Original Message-----

From: Frow, Sylvia G. (FIN)
Sent: Tuesday, February 08, 2005 3:17 PM
To: Cespedes, Graciela (FIN)
Subject: RE: Tsunami relief basket raffle

Help!!! - I have \$630.00 worth of coupons from the 111 Food Court and nowhere to eat.

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From: Cespedes, Graciela (FIN)
Sent: Tuesday, February 08, 2005 3:16 PM
To: Frow, Sylvia G. (FIN)
Subject: Not read: Tsunami relief basket raffle

Your message

To: Cespedes, Graciela (FIN)
Subject: Accepted: Tsunami relief basket raffle
Sent: 2/8/2005 2:10 PM

was deleted without being read on 2/8/2005 3:16 PM.